# Wei-Lin Chiang

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#### Education

#### M.S. in Computer Science Dept., National Taiwan University

Feb. 2018 - present

• Advisor: Prof. Chih-Jen Lin, GPA: 4.26/4.30

#### B.S. in Computer Science Dept., National Taiwan University

Sep. 2013 - Jan. 2018

- Minor in Mathematics
- GPA: 4.06/4.30, with 4 presidential awards (top 5% award)

#### Research Interests

- Optimization for machine learning, scalable machine learning algorithms, data mining
- Machine learning software and its system design

#### **Publications**

- W.-L. Chiang, X. Liu, S. Si, Y. Li, S. Bengio, and C.-J. Hsieh. "Cluster-GCN: An Efficient Algorithm for Training Deep and Large Graph Convolutional Networks," ACM KDD 2019
- C.-Y. Hsia, W.-L. Chiang, and C.-J. Lin. "Preconditioned Conjugate Gradient Methods in Truncated Newton Frameworks for Large-scale Linear Classification," ACML 2018 (best paper award)
- W.-L. Chiang, Y.-S. Li, C.-p. Lee, and C.-J. Lin. "Limited-memory Common-directions Method for Distributed L1-regularized Linear Classification," SIAM SDM 2018
- W.-L. Chiang, M.-C. Lee, and C.-J. Lin. "Parallel Dual Coordinate Descent Method for Large-scale Linear Classification in Multi-core Environments," ACM KDD 2016
- M.-C. Lee, W.-L. Chiang, and C.-J. Lin. "Fast Matrix-vector Multiplications for Large-scale Logistic Regression on Shared-memory Systems," IEEE ICDM 2015

#### Selected Awards and Honors

• Best Paper Award, ACML	2018
• Bachelor Thesis Award, First Prize, National Taiwan University	2017
• Innovative Undergraduate Research Award, Ministry of Science and Technology	2017
• Undergraduate Research Award, First Prize, NTU CSIE	2016
• Student Travel Award, KDD	2016, 2019
• Student Travel Award, SDM	2018

## Working Experience

#### Intern@Google Research, Mountain View

Dec 2018 - Mar 2019

- Developing efficient algorithms for training large (million-scale) and deep GCN models
- Achieved state-of-the-art performance on several public datasets (PPI, reddit)
- Mentors: Prof. Cho-Jui Hsieh and Si Si

## Intern@Alibaba Group, Hangzhou

July 2017 - Sept 2017

- Developing distributed ML algorithms on Alibaba's parameter server (KunPeng)
- Reduced the training time  $(5\% \sim 30\%)$  of billion-scale models behind Ads and recommendation systems
- Mentors: Prof. Chih-Jen Lin and Wei Chu

#### Intern@Microsoft Research Asia, Beijing

December 2016 - February 2017

- Investigating distributed training methods on deep learning frameworks
- Mentors: Qiwei Ye

#### Research Intern@Microsoft, Redmond

July 2016 - October 2016

- Developing large-scale ML algorithms on Microsoft's distributed platform (REEF)
- Implemented Newton's method for solving billion-scale Ads CTR problems
- Mentors: Prof. Chih-Jen Lin and Sathiya Keerthi

## Open-source Research Projects

Cluster-GCN

Spring 2019 - present

- Major developer of an efficient algorithm for training large and deep GCN
- Link: https://github.com/google-research/google-research/tree/master/cluster\_gcn

#### Distributed LIBLINEAR

Summer 2017 - present

- One of the major developers of a distributed extension of a widely-used linear classification package
- The study is based on L1 regularized linear classification which published at SDM 2018
- Link: https://www.csie.ntu.edu.tw/~cjlin/libsvmtools/distributed-liblinear/

#### Multi-core LIBLINEAR

Spring 2015 - present

- One of the major developers of a multi-core extension of a widely-used linear classification package
- The study on primal solvers is published at ICDM 2015; the one on dual solvers is published at KDD 2016
- Link: https://www.csie.ntu.edu.tw/~cjlin/libsvmtools/multicore-liblinear/

### Teaching Experience

Lecturer & Organizer@Project Sprout, National Taiwan University

Spring 2014 - Spring 2017

- Offering C++/Python programming courses for senior high students in Taiwan
- Influenced over 700 students and was sponsored by Microsoft, Trend Micro, CyberLink and SYSTEX
- Facebook page: https://www.facebook.com/ntucsiesprout

Teaching Assistant, National Taiwan University

Fall 2015

• Introduction to the Theory of Computation instructed by Prof. Chih-Jen Lin